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Spot A Flying Saucer And Afraid The Neighbors Will Laugh? Then Tell It To New Confidential NICAP

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WASHINGTON - (NEA - You can now report seeing flying saucers without being tagged as the neighborhood nut.

That's one of the several unique services being offered by a new organization called the National Investigations Committee on Aerial Phenomen.

Another service is that your membership in NICAP will be kept a secret, just in case the mere act of signing up might start the neighbors talking. Already there are plenty of secret members, although there are some pretty impressive names among members who aren't afraid to have their affiliation made public.

The current yearly dues in this non-profit organization are \$7.50. In addition to offering the choice of anonymity or publicity, the membership package includes a new monthly publication called "The UFO Investigator." "UFO is the official Pentagon designation for "unidentified flying objects," or flying saucers.

Four UFOs, Tracked

The first issue, just off the press, reveals for the first time that a Civil Aeronautics Administration ragar aperator tracked four UFO. flying over California at speeds up to 3,6000 mph.last spring. The circumstances were similar to pasradar sighting which could not be identified as conventional aircraft.

The mac wine of a lies to keep members up to date on similar future sightings.

The first issue also revealed that the former head of the U.S. Centrad Intelligence Agency, Adm. Roscoe H. Hillenkoetter had become a member of the board of all along that the Air Force has directors of NICAP. Hillenkoetter recently retired from the Navy and is now with a shipping firm in New York. The CIA which he headed is



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S. Fahrney, is a founder of the or-hoe says: ganization. Fahrney is a pioneer of "I consider that the evidence Others include retired generals, air proach to new evidence. line pilots, college professors, ministers and businessmen.

Directed By Ex-Marine

Donald Keyhoe, a retired Marine major and author of three bestselling flying saucer books, is the director of NICAP and editor of the new magazine. He has made flying saucer a highly profitable career. In the process he has worked up a feud with the Air Force on the sub-

It has been Keyhoe's contention a big plot cooking to keep the real facts on saucers from the public.

"The real mission of NICAP is to get the Air Force to open up its Uncle Sam's top intelligence age- secret files on saucers so that the public can evaluate for itself just what there is to this whole thing.

A service which **Keyhoe** and his NICAP offers to members and the public is an impartial evaluation of all saucer sightings. "We will so a to expose the fake, crackpot reports as well as give attention to those which offer new information on the nature of UFOs," Keyhe says.

He doubts reports of competing; writers who claimed to have rid-

den in flying saucers and interviewed passengers from outer space. He says a special NICAP committee will give such claimants lie-detector tests and analyze their reports if they will submit to this.

In offering to keep names of members secret at their request Keyhoe admits that just an interest in flying saucers could make a person the object of ridicule. He says many airline pilots have been ordered not to report any UFO sightings for this reason.

In a statement of personal policy on saucers, published in the Another retired admiral, Delmer first edition of the magazine, Key-

guided missile development. Still that the UFOs are real and are another member is Maj. Dewey interplanetary machines is con-Fournet, a former investigator of clusive. But I am making every UFO reports for the Air Force effort to be neutral in my ap-

"The opinions of our special advisors and the board of governors will far outweigh my own personal convictins in final evaluatins.